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The following is a list of commodity prices in Bucharest as of the end of April 1954. Unless otherwise indicated, the prices are quoted in lei per kilogram.

Article	Official (on coupons)	Free Market	
Foodstuffs			
Black bread	.70	2.00	
White bread	[redacted]	2.18	per loaf
Coffee	---	160.00	or more
Tea	---	160.00	or more
Cocoa	---	160.00	or more
Flour	4.00	4.00	
Corn flour	---	4.00	or more
Edible oil	3.00	30.00	
Noodles	2.00	7.00	
Butter	---	60.00	
Sugar	3.00	9.60	
Sausage	---	22.00	or more
Margarine	---	14.00	usually not available
Rice	---	11.60	
Laundry soap inferior quality	7.00	10.00	
Beef	7.65	22.00	
Pork	10.70	25.00	
Veal	---	25.00	
Poultry	---	32.00	
Cheese	---	25.00	and more
Cottage cheese	11.00	22.00	
Salt	1.00	1.00	

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Beans	1.70	7.00
Groats	---	9.00
Eggs	---	1.50 each
Mixed vegetables for soup	.70	4.00
Potatoes	.50	3.00
Carrots	.70	3.00
Onions	.70	8.00
Spinach	2.00	8.00
Tomatoes	---	17.00
Cucumbers	1.00	1.00 each
Peppers (green/red)	1.00	1.00 each
Green beans	2.00	5.00
Radishes	1.00	4.00 each
Small radishes	1.00	2.00 per bunch
Lettuce	1.00	1.50 per head
Apples	1.50	14.00
Pears	---	14.00
Clothing		
Woolen cloth, locally produced	80.00	300.00 per meter
Cotton	6.00	17.00 per meter
Underpants	6.00	20.00 per pair
Undervest	6.00	20.00 each
Man's shirt	20.00	35.00 each
Man's trousers of locally produced wool	120.00	200.00 per pair
Man's suit	400.00	800.00
Overcoat (shag)	210.00	1000.00
Skirt	180.00	300.00
Dress	300.00	600.00
Sweater, half-wool	120.00	400.00
Sweater, all-wool	---	600.00
Woman's shoes	60.00	250.00 per pair
Man's shoes	78.00	300.00 per pair
Child's shoes	60.00	250.00 per pair
Nylon stockings	---	170.00 per pair
Man's socks, cotton	3.00	6.00 per pair
Long stockings (cotton)	11.00	11.00 per pair

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